

SECOND TERM FOR MR. TAFT.

Records of Able and Fearless President and of Rough Rider Are Carefully Compared.
To the Editor of the Arizona Republican, Feb. 26.

Sir: In common with a majority of the Republicans of Arizona, I believe, who desire to see the control of the national government retained by our party, I want to compliment you on your able leading article and editorial in Sunday's paper anent the third term ambitions of ex-President Theodore Roosevelt.

While a few Republicans may be displeased with the stand of Mr. Taft on the recall of the judiciary, the great majority of them, whether they agree with him on this question or not, honor him for his unequivocal stand and respect him the more for standing by his guns. Mr. Roosevelt, while President, preached against these same things and went so far as to send Mr. Taft, his Secretary of War, into Oklahoma to advocate their repudiation. Then, when the time came to veto that constitution which Mr. Taft had called a zoological garden of inaccuracies at Mr. Roosevelt's behest, he failed to do so.

Mr. Roosevelt rode into popularity on a wave of denunciations of everybody and everything — by preaching from the housetops his superiority to all others. In now trying to secure another nomination, he inferentially sets himself up as better than George Washington and Thos. Jefferson. If Gen. Grant, the most popular man of his time was unable to secure a third nomination, I don't believe Roosevelt will succeed in doing so. Further, I believe if he is nominated, he will be defeated.

The American people are not fools. They have had enough of this "better than thou doctrine." Declaring from every stump his high morality and his respect for the law, Theodore Roosevelt has done more to create a national distrust and disregard for the law by his arbitrary executive acts than all the Presidents we ever had.

The laws presume every man innocent until proven guilty. Yet the great Theodore discharged two entire troops of soldiers because he could not find the half dozen miscreants that shot up Brownsville. Here he actually reversed the law, saying to these men that to secure reinstatement and the pensions that your fifteen to thirty years of faithful service entitles you, that you must prove your innocence.

When the joint statehood question came up, he declared boldly that the people of Arizona had no rights congress was bound to respect, that he knew it was best for the two territories and that it must pass. Then, the committee of Arizona men showed him how little he knew about it.

Until shortly, his position on a great many public questions was an equivocal one. His speech in Phoenix on the recall of the judiciary was of this description—it can be construed either for or against the law. His writings on woman suffrage are of the same order. Trimming his sail to the passing breeze, he has had such phenomenal success, that the American people have discovered upon what meat this our Caesar has fed that he grew so big.

As you, so aptly said, Mr. Taft by so conscientiously trying to carry out the pledges of the Republican national platform, has richly deserved a re-nomination and he will get it. On every proposition advocated by his party, he has rung true and sound. His administration has been a wonderfully successful one and typical of the best thought of the American people.

He has reduced the running expenses of the Government by many millions of dollars.

He has placed the postoffice department on a self-sustaining basis for the first time in the history of the nation.

He has extended the free rural delivery system.

He has extended the Civil Service. He has secured more convictions of violators of the anti-trust laws than all his predecessors combined.

He has taken advanced steps to secure world-wide arbitration that will make his name immortal.

He has advanced the cause of reciprocity, that handmaid of a protective tariff, that its greatest exponent, the lamented William McKinley died advocating in Buffalo.

He has done as much as President McKinley did to cement the reunion of the North and South by appointing to high and lucrative positions, of honor and emolument Southern white Democrats (some of the Republican war horses think, too much).

He has encouraged rural education of both the whites and blacks in the South, giving of his valuable time service on the board of trustees of Tuskegee and Jeanes fund (and this is not the least of his achievements).

While deprecating unnecessary waste and expense in maintaining the army and navy, he has been a consistent and firm friend of both these arms of the national defense.

He has stimulated in the hearts of officials and laborers alike a consuming desire to complete the Panama Canal in the shortest possible time, consistent with perfection and permanency.

He has been as firm and sturdy a friend of the reclamation of the arid lands of the West, as he has been of the swamp lands of the South.

On these and all other problems that confront the American people, he has been a straightforward, staunch and dependable advocate.

If thus carrying out the policies of his party which were endorsed by the American people when they elected him, he fails to secure a re-nomination, then, indeed, is gratitude in his party dead. If nominated he will be elected, because the American people are not fools. If he should be defeated it will be because they prefer for a time, a Democrat who typifies policies that are the antithesis of the ones that President Taft stands for. If they prefer a Democrat to the big grave, able man that now occupies the position, I say let them have him and the quicker they get him the better.

Respectfully,
WM. P. CRUMP.

FAIRMOUNT HEIGHTS

The Epworth League was favored with an interesting program. Quite a number of visitors and friends were present. Among them were: Miss Isabella Robinson, Miss Gertrude Henry, Miss C. Gardner, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Williams, Mr. S. Miller, of Cedar Heights, and others too numerous to mention.

The "dove of peace" hovers over Fairmount Heights. The citizens are in good fellowship, and the future outlook for the continued development of the community is very bright. The Methodist, the Baptist and Presbyterian churches are doing great work, and their Christian influence is being felt in every section of the community.

The Presbyterian Church is beginning to take on new life with the incoming spring season. On Friday night last, a highly enjoyable ministerial concert was given for the benefit of the church, and on last Sunday evening a week ago, the members and visitors were entertained with a delightful song service. Mrs. Helen Cardozo received many compliments for the beautiful solo she so beautifully rendered on this occasion.

The appearance of the Rev. Dr. J. Milton Waldron, of Shiloh Baptist Church, of Washington, seems to have been the signal for a large attendance at the rally Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The seats were all taken, and Dr. Waldron delivered himself well. Rarely is Fairmount Heights ever fed with such wholesome, inspiring mental and spiritual food. All were profoundly impressed who heard him. The good Doctor also gave promise of some material help to the little First Baptist Church, whose struggles to erect a building he came to help, and will come again in the near future.

Mr. R. S. Nichols reports a growing and successful Sunday school work at the First Presbyterian Church, where he presides as Sunday School Superintendent. When Bro. Nichols took hold of the work a few months ago the school was struggling with difficulty for lack of proper leadership. Since his connection with the work the school has grown and prospered beyond expectation.

The teachers of the public school here attended the Prince George County Teachers' Institute, which held its sessions at Bowie, March 14 and 15, 1912.

It is rumored that very soon the trustees of the new school building, which is completed all but the plastering and trimming out, will announce a dedication program. Chairman R. S. Nichols, of the building committee, along with W. Sidney Pittman, the architect, and two other members of the building committee, W. S. Crouse and Frank Coalman, inspected the building last week in a body, and authorized a payment by the county treasurer to the contractor of one thousand dollars on account.

On the fourth Sunday in this month the Rev. Ray Carter, the blind evangelist, will preach for the First Baptist Church at the 3 o'clock rally service in the Public Hall. On the fifth Sunday at the same place and same hour, the Rev. Dr. B. J. Askew, of the Macedonia Baptist Church, of Anacostia, D. C., and his choir, will come out and conduct the services. He will be assisted by the Rev. W. M. Howard, of the M. E. Church, of Fairmount Heights, and his choir, and also Rev. J. T. Clark, of the Mt. Horeb Baptist Church, of Washington.

Mr. C. L. Marshall, the grocery merchant of the community, has shown great interest and has rendered good service in the rally now going on for the building of the new Baptist Church. He and his family have given of their means and he has caused others to give. He is largely instrumental in securing the services of the Rev. Askew, who is to come out and assist in the good work on the fifth Sunday. The trustees appreciate his services.

Business and professional enterprises are beginning to seek avenues of activity in Fairmount Heights with amazing swiftness. The people are waking up. C. S. Williams has begun building a blacksmith shop adjoining his home on the hill. Albert Miller's shoe shop is busy day and night. Dr. E. M. Boyle has come out and opened up offices, and it is said by those that know him that he is well qualified. The new Odd Fellows lodge has already begun talking about building a hall. Brother J. T. Tramwell is talking of building a confectionery store, and Brother Tramwell does not talk much. He is a big, broad hearted man of small stature, but very kind and energetic.

And Brother B. S. Carter, widower, is going to build a home this spring, and begin a small truck farm on his group of lots. Lawyer H. V. Plum.

PREACHERS—WHO THEY ARE.

What The Bee is Preparing for the People—Those Who Should Be in the Pulpit.

The Bee will begin the publication of a series of articles of the Interdenominational Preachers' Association, and who the preachers are, what they stand for, and the good or bad they are doing in this community. Rev. A. C. Garner will be The Bee's first subject.

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